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TEN CENTS A WEEK

CHALLENGE WILL BE ACCEPTED BY STRIKERS

Indications Point That Way In
Russian Troubles.

GENERAL STRIKE TO BE ORDERED

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the arrest of Head of Workmen's
Council—Editors Defy Law Forbid-
ding Discussion of Vital Questions.

St. Petersburg, Sunday, Dec. 10 (Morning), via Bydtkuhnen, East Prussia, Dec. 11.—There is every indication that the government challenge will be accepted and that within 48 hours a general strike throughout Russia will be ordered. A terrible storm has been raised by the arrest of H. Krusteff, the head of the committee of the workmen's council, which was followed during the night by the imprisonment of the workmen's council and a number of Socialist leaders.

"The reaction has come," were the words on every lip, and in the Liberal extremist camp there was only one opinion, namely, that it must be resisted to the bitter end.

Editors to Defy Press Law.

The newspaper editors at yesterday evening's meeting decided to defy the temporary press law forbidding the discussion of vital questions affecting the welfare of the nation violated the principles of freedom of speech and of the press guaranteed by the imperial manifesto and that it must be defied.

Railroad Employees Strike.

The employees of the Riga-Orel railroad have declared a strike on account of the declaration of martial law in Livonia, and have sent an appeal to the other roads to join. Last night the railroad men of the Baltic lines decided to follow the example of the Riga-Orel men.

Anarchy Prevails.

Absolute anarchy prevails. A messenger who arrived here this morning declared that the streets of Riga were flowing with blood. After a meeting the railroad men of Riga were mowed down by the fire of machine guns and artillery. The railroad men of St. Petersburg resolved that inasmuch as the reaction is gaining force and the government is seeking to retract what was won by the "first pan-Russian strike" the railroad men stand ready to obey the signal for a general strike.

Simultaneously with the arrests here M. Dronshilny and all the members of the union of the employees of the posts and telegraph operators of Moscow, with M. Kokhanowski at their head, were arrested at Moscow. Interior Minister Durnovo today issued a proclamation notifying the post and telegraph employees that their failure to return to work will be equivalent to their discharge.

New Archbishop to Be Appointed.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 12.—High clerics of the diocese of New Orleans are arriving here today in connection with a meeting to be held to certify to Rome worthy candidates for the succession to Archbishop Cauppelle, who fell a victim to yellow fever. Bishop Gallagher of Galveston reached here today and will preside over the conference, which will be held in the old Archbishopric beginning Tuesday. Three names will be selected to be forwarded to the congregation of the propaganda, and it may be several months before the appointment is announced from Rome.

Oglethorpe to Be Honored.

Brunswick, Ga., Dec. 12.—The Daughters of the American Revolution of Brunswick are making preparations for elaborate ceremonies to celebrate the unveiling of the Oglethorpe monument on the birthday of the great general, which occurs this month. Brunswick is the first city in Georgia, or in the country, to honor in this way the memory of the great soldier and founder of the Empire State of the South.

CAN PARALYZE SELF AT WILL.

Police Arrest Beggar Who Has Wonderful Power.

Atlanta, Dec. 12.—A "paralyzed" man, who has been sitting and begging on the Whitehall street viaduct for the past two weeks, was suddenly healed Saturday night when the police took him in charge. He ran four blocks with a pair of handcuffs on his wrists and a dozen bottles of beer in his pockets.

This wonderful beggar, who gave his name as Robert F. Barrie, is possessed of a power to disjoin his wrists and fingers and at the same time to make the muscles of his face writhe with all the contortions of a paralytic.

When acting naturally he is a strong, able-bodied young man; but when he chooses to paralyze himself he becomes a most abject and wretched specimen of humanity.

All he has to do to transform himself from an able-bodied man to a paralytic is to give his hands a wring, twist up his legs into knots and let his jaw drop. His features become those of a babbling idiot, and he is not only paralyzed in his limbs, but he seems scarcely able to talk.

The man is a shrewd, sharp fellow and enjoys telling how he duped the people by playing the role of a paralytic.

He says his home is in Sunny, Tenn., and claims to have been a sailor.

URGE HIGH PRICES FOR YARN.

No Necessity of Any Decline From Prices, Says the Secretary.

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 12.—Secretary A. C. Hutchinson has sent the following telegram to each member of the Soft Yarn Spinners' association:

"In view of the fact that the market is bare of stocks of hosiery yarns, and that the demand is unprecedented and deliveries hard to get, you are earnestly requested to hold prices. There is no necessity whatever of any decline from the highest prices you have obtained the present season. You can get the price if you will ask for it."

Mr. Hutchinson announces that a meeting of the Soft Yarn Spinners will be called some time during January in Charlotte or Atlanta.

Torpedo Boats in Charleston.

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 12.—United States torpedo boats Porter, McDowell, Rodgers, Johnson, Blakely, Courtney and Dupont has arrived here from Morehead City to join Admiral Dickins' coast defense squadron wintering in this port. They reported severe weather, but suffered no damage or delay. The monitors Arkansas, Florida and Nevada, of the squadron now out on a cruise, will return Monday or Tuesday.

Engineers to Meet This Week.

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 12.—The annual convention of the Engineering Association of the South will be held in Birmingham next Friday and Saturday, Dec. 15 and 16. Among those invited to deliver addresses are E. W. Barrett, editor of The Age-Herald; General Rufus N. Rhodes, second vice-president of the Associated Press; Mayor Ward and Hunter McDonald, chief engineer of the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis railroad.

Negroes Burn to Death.

Etowah, Ga., Dec. 12.—Sunday morning about day the old James L. Reid mansion, just 2 miles from the courthouse, was completely consumed by fire with all its contents. The building had been vacant for a year, but at the time of the fire Robert Reid and his wife and a half brother of Robert's occupied the premises. The latter, John Coleman, narrowly escaped, but Robert Reid and his wife were consumed in the flames.

Alleged Crook Arrested.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 12.—Detectives Saturday afternoon arrested Sam McGowan for the "robbing" of T. O. Oquahara, a stock man of Sherlock, Tenn., in a west side saloon. Mr. Oquahara lost \$1,500 by having his money belt cut open while he was either drunk or drugged. The detectives state that they have evidence upon which they expect to convict McGowan.

"SEND US HELP FROM ANYWHERE"

Stated Message From Leaking
Lightship.

WIRELESS SYSTEM IS CRIPPLED

So Rapidly Did Water Come In That, Although Pumps Were Kept Busy, the Fire Rooms Were Flooded and Fire Extinguished.

Newport, R. I., Dec. 12.—A half finished message sent just before the batteries are supposed to have become exhausted, came here by wireless from the Nantucket lightship early today, asking for "Help from anywhere." The message was timed at 2 a. m., and was as follows:

"Nantucket shoals. Lightship in distress. Send help from anywhere." Here the message broke off.

At the lightship's design includes water tight compartments into serve her in just such cases of stress as she is now in, the lighthouse officials declare that there will be little difficulty on the part of her crew afloat until aid can reach her. The lighthouse tender Azalea, which left New Bedford at 7:30 o'clock last night, should reach the vicinity of the lightship during this afternoon.

The Hist left the naval training station, under orders to make the best possible speed to the lightship.

The distance she will have to cover is about 97 miles. The leak in the lightship's hull, while not definitely located, according to the latest message was apparently just above the fire-room plates. So rapidly did the water come in, although the pumps were kept constantly at work, that late yesterday afternoon the fire room was flooded and the fires had been extinguished. Wireless communication then ceased and it was supposed that nothing further would be heard directly from the vessel, as the dynamo probably had given out.

Early today, however, came to grief an apparently unfinished message, again asking for aid. This time it is thought the wireless system must have become completely crippled. The wind shifted to northwest late yesterday and this had the effect of causing the great seas to moderate considerably, so that less anxiety was felt here this forenoon for the lightship's safety.

On board the lightship are Captain Jorgensen of Dennis, Mass., commanding, two engineers, three naval electricians operating the wireless apparatus and eight seamen.

Engineer Dead; Conductor Injured.

LaGrange, Ga., Dec. 12.—Quite a serious accident happened Saturday morning on the grading which is being done through this city for the Atlanta, Birmingham and Atlantic railroad. The contractors for grading employ two small dummy engines to haul the dump cars, which are loaded by the steam shovel. One of these dummy engines turned over a 25-foot embankment and rolled down the embankment. The engineer, Pomp Foster, was caught under the dummy engine and badly scalded, besides having a rib broken, from which he died Sunday. The conductor, Henry Taylor, escaped with less injuries, though both of his ankles were broken.

Falling Train Injures Many.

Kite, Ga., Dec. 12.—While a train from Wadley Saturday afternoon at 4:40 o'clock was crossing Little Ochee river, the coach and five flat cars went in with all passengers. Mack Kenney and Gus Sharp are seriously hurt, if not fatally. Several negroes, unknown, were also hurt.

To Celebrate Anniversary.

New York, Dec. 12.—It is announced that the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute will be celebrated in April, 1906. President Eliot, of Harvard university, will be one of the principal speakers.

CONSTABLE KILLED AT DANCE.

Requested Young Men to Fight Fair, When One Shoots Him.

Statham, Ga., Dec. 12.—Joan W. Haynie of this place was killed Saturday night about 9 o'clock by Coke Hunter at a dance at J. F. Daniel's, about 5 miles from Statham. From reports received of the affair, it seems that Hunter and Will Edgar were fighting, when Haynie requested Edgar, his friend, to fight Hunter fairly, which request was complied with. Hunter then turned and shot Haynie, killing him almost instantly. Mr. Haynie was a constable of this district. All of the parties mentioned are young men.

Hunter ran off immediately after committing the crime and is now at large. Hunter is about 6 feet high, weighs about 165 pounds, age about 27, slender built, red complexion, wears his hat pulled down over his eyes and has all the appearances of a plain countryman. Before shooting Haynie Hunter cut Edgar several gascs, though the wounds are not serious. A reward for Hunter's arrest will probably be offered.

YOUTHFUL MURDERER IN JAIL.

Boy of Eleven Slew His Brother, Who Was Aged Only Eight.

Hartwell, Ga., Dec. 12.—Sheriff Monroe Kidd now has in his custody the youngest prisoner that has ever been placed behind the walls of Hart county jail since his experience as the sheriff of Hart county.

Lonnie Lewis, a white lad 11 years old, who resides with his parents on the plantation of John B. Gaines, in lower Hart county, slew his brother, Hoyt Lewis, the morning after Thanksgiving. The boy killed was only 8 years old. The killing was done with a breech-loading shotgun and the load entered the boy's head just above the right ear, taking off a section of the head, making a frightful wound. Young Lewis was arrested and has since been confined in jail. He does not seem to appreciate the enormity of the crime which has been lodged against him by the officers of the law.

It is understood that he will claim it was an accident. In answer to a question the boy replied that he would not stay in jail long, as "they were going to send him out yonder."

RAWLINGS CARRIED TO CAMP.

Wants Sentence Changed So He May Die With Relatives.

Valdosta, Ga., Dec. 12.—Leonard Rawlings, who was recently sentenced by Judge Mitchell to the penitentiary for life for his complicity in the murder of the Carter children, was Sunday carried to a state convict camp at Babcock, Ga.

The parting between the young man and his mother and sister at the railway station was very affecting. Young Rawlings has all along maintained that he would rather be hanged than to serve a life sentence and requested one of his attorneys to try and have his sentence changed so that he might be executed with his father and brothers.

Investigating Home Life.

New York, Dec. 12.—An investigation of the Home Life Insurance company of New York was taken up by the legislative insurance investigating committee today. The first witness called was George E. Ide, president of that company. Mr. Ide said in making investments his company gives no commissions to brokers, but he thought some of the officials of his company may have received commissions on their own policies. He said his company is paying a pension of \$1,000 a year to a clerk who was employed since the foundation of the company and is now unable to work.

Strike on Atlantic and Birmingham.

Pittsburg, Ga., Dec. 12.—This morning at 12 o'clock engineers and firemen of the Atlantic and Birmingham railroad went on strike, the employees demanding higher wages and shorter hours. It is hard to say at this hour how the matter will terminate. It is the general opinion, however, that the railroad company will accede to their demands.

FEDERAL CONTROL OVER INSURANCE

Novel Method Proposed in Bill
Introduced.

PUBLICITY IS THING REQUIRED

Authorizes Department Commerce and Labor to Require Full Statements From Insurance Companies Doing Business in Jurisdiction.

Washington, Dec. 12.—A novel method of seeking federal control over insurance is proposed in a bill introduced today by Representative Fred Landis of Indiana. The bill cites that congress has exclusive jurisdiction over the District of Columbia, the territories and insular possession of the United States, in consequence of which authority is given the department of commerce and labor to require full statements from all insurance companies doing business within such jurisdiction. He states that publicity is the one thing required and that no insurance company can afford to quit.

Lively Tilt in the House.

A lively tilt occurred in the house just before adjournment between Lamar of Florida and the minority leader, Mr. Williams, regarding committee assignments. Mr. Lamar sought to discuss the matter, but Mr. Williams objected in the interest of Democratic harmony, effectiveness and good will. He was at once challenged to call a Democratic caucus for tomorrow, but declined to commit himself on the ground that the house was no place for Democrats to wash their linen for the amusement of Republicans. Mr. Lamar was taken off the committee on interstate and foreign commerce.

Senate Receives Emergency Bill.

When the senate convened today a message was received from the house transmitting the emergency bill appropriating \$11,000,000 to aid in the construction of the Panama canal.

THINK THEY HAVE BIG CATCH.

Police Confident They Have Broken Up Counterfeit Gang.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 12.—In the arrest yesterday of Frank Weller, alias Wilder, and Joseph Castro, alias Lawrence, by United States Secret Service Agent Cronin and officers from the Central Police station, it is believed that one of the smoothest gangs of counterfeiters that has operated on the Pacific coast for years was broken up. With the prisoners a quantity of paraphernalia was confiscated and a sufficient evidence is said to be possessed by the officers to permit of a prosecution of the charge. The men are alleged to have been operating in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Oakland and a number of California cities for several months past, flooding the coast with bogus bills. They have been under surveillance for some time.

The raising of \$2 bills to the denomination of \$5 and \$10 is said to have been the principal occupation of the counterfeiters.

Begins Long Term in Pen.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 12.—Alonso J. Whiteman, convicted of defrauding the Fidelity Trust company of this city by means of forged and raised paper was taken to Auburn prison today to begin a term of eight years and five months.

Congratulates Mother of Triplets.

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 12.—At the home in this city of Edward Morris yesterday triplet babies, two boys and a girl, were christened and a congratulatory letter from President Roosevelt was received.

Political Economist Dead.

Boston, Dec. 12.—Edward Atkinson, the well known social and political economist of this city, died suddenly today after an attack of acute indigestion affecting the heart. He was 78 years old.